NC 12 Update 9/2/2011

NCDOT has developed a plan to restore normal traffic to NC 12 within one month. This short-term solution provides time for NCDOT, working in constant collaboration with <u>agency partners</u> and experts as well as state, <u>local</u>, and <u>federal officials</u>, to develop a comprehensive long-term strategy, consistent with the approved environmental studies.

Repairs along NC 12 are estimated to cost \$10 million and will be paid for from Federal Emergency funds.

Gov. Perdue has directed NCDOT to work closely with all partners to develop a long-term plan as soon as possible.

The plan involves the placement of a temporary, manufactured bridge across the largest breach which is about six miles south of the Bonner Bridge, on Pea Island. The remaining breaches will be filled in.